

Rapid Mathematics Assessment (RMA) — Checklist

- RMA = Rapid Mathematics Assessment: DepEd diagnostic + benchmark tool for foundational math skills, Key Stages 1-3.
- NOT a speed test: a cumulative diagnostic of foundations — most items need interpreting, applying, or reasoning.
- Grades 7-10 instrument: Grade 7 = 21 items, Grade 8 = 38, Grade 9 = 45, Grade 10 = 47 items; 37/47 (79%) need higher-order thinking.
- Given TWICE a year: beginning-of-school-year pretest (baseline) and end-of-year posttest (progress).
- All Grades 1-3 pupils in DepEd schools take it; approach extends through KS2 (Grades 4-6) and KS3 (Grades 7-10).
- Developed with DepEd + USAID ABC+ + NISMED; scoresheet is Excel-based.
- Proficiency levels: Highly Proficient 95-100% (enrichment); Proficient 85-94% (consolidation); Nearly Proficient 75-84% (targeted practice); Low Proficient 60-74% (intensive intervention); Not Proficient below 60% (comprehensive remediation).
- Action groups: Intervention (biggest gaps), Consolidation (strengthening), Enhancement (go further).
- Part of the National Learning Recovery Program (DO No. 013, s. 2023); under classroom assessment policy (DO No. 8, s. 2015).
- ARAL Mathematics (DM No. 060, s. 2026; RA No. 12028): Grades 1-10 from SY 2026-2027; RMA identifies learners, priority Not/Low Proficient.
- ARAL Math: Individual Mathematics Intervention Plan (IMIP) per learner; groups of 10-15 per tutor.
- ARAL Math delivery: structured self-paced worksheets; tutors guide with questions/hints/feedback; face-to-face, online, or blended; pull-out, after school, or weekends.
- October 2026: 11 million+ learners nationwide need additional math support.
- If your child is picked for ARAL Math, it is targeted help based on real data — not a punishment.

Source: matatagcurriculum.com — Rapid Mathematics Assessment guide